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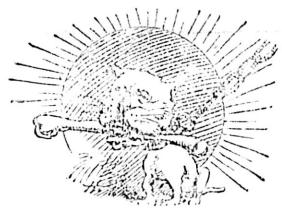

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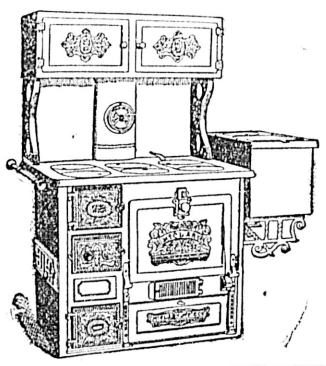

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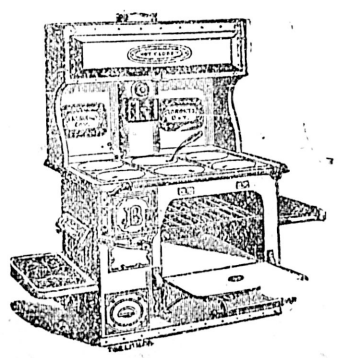

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$1.35 buys 100 lb. potatoes and 12 lb. onions; if our potatoes are not as represented your money returned; free delivery. Sylvester Feed Co. Ltd., City Market.

GRAND BALL and supper; Sturdy Oak Lodge of Oddfellows, on Friday, January 15th, in the Public Hall, Metchosin; excellent music; tickets admitting lady and gentleman, $1.00. ja8

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STRAYED or stolen from the Times office last evening, large black and white English setter pup, with brown spots on forepaws. Reward if immediately returned. ja8

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A MASQUERADE BALL will be held in Strawberry Vale hall on Monday next, Jan. 11. Admission 50 cents. ja5

THE MAYORALTY.

Charles E. Redfern will meet and address the Electors as follows:

Semple's Hall, Victoria West, Saturday, January 9.
Johns Bros. Hall, Douglas Street, Monday, January 11.
South Park School, Tuesday, January 12.

Chair taken at 8 o'clock.

Central Committee Rooms, Pierre Block, 100 Douglas Street. All friends and supporters are requested to attend every evening at 8 o'clock.

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This mine is situate in the Big Bend District north of Revelstoke, and is a free milling proposition; assays from $39.20 to $12.80 per ton in gold. The tunnel is in 100 feet and the vein is 9 feet wide; 1,000 tons on the dump valued at $10,000. Special quotations will be given on personal application, or by letter.

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NOTICE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

IN PROBATE.

In the Matter of the Estate of John Doran, of Esquimat Road, near the City of Victoria in the Province of British Columbia, Deceased.

Pursuant to an order of the said Supreme Court made by His Lordship Mr. Justice Walkem, on the 6th day of January, 1897, probate of the Will of the said John Doran, deceased, was granted to the Rev. Joseph Nicolaye the executor in the said Will named.

All persons indebted to the estate of the said John Doran, deceased, are hereby required forthwith to pay, and all persons having any claim against the said estate are required to send particulars thereof to me.

E. M. JOHNSON,
Agent for Rev. J. Nicolaye,
Executor of John Doran, Deceased.
Office, 37 Government Street, Victoria, B.C.
P.O. Address Box 188, Victoria, B.C. ja8

MORTGAGE SALE

Thursday, 21st January, 1897.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage, dated the 3rd day of March, 1894, sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon, on Thursday, the 21st January, 1897, for the purchase of the following property, occupied by the Trustees of T. F. Hawks, and being Lots 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, Group 4, Cariboo District, British Columbia, containing 879 acres.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. THOMAS R. SMITH,
ja8 Temple Building, Victoria.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a railway of standard or narrow guage from a point on the Stikeen river to a point on or near Dease Lake, in the District of Cassiar, with power to extend to the northern and eastern confines of British Columbia, and to construct and operate branch lines, and telegraph and telephone lines, and to construct and maintain wharves, docks, warehouses, and to expropriate lands for the above purposes, together with all other usual, necessary or incidental powers in the premises.

DUMBLETON & INNES,
Solicitors and Agents for Applicants.
Victoria, B.C., January, 1897. ja8

Craigends Farm.

The sale of this property has been postponed till THURSDAY, the 4th day of FEBRUARY, 1897, at 12 noon.

Dated this 6th day of January, A.D. 1897.

ja7 *JOSHUA DAVIES.*

SHORT NOTICE CLEARANCE SALE.

Making room for new goods. Ladies' and Children's Hats, Underwear, Infants' Clothing, Embroideries, Lace, etc., all marked down to ensure prompt sale. January 4th and 11 days after. Hours 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For cash only.

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RUSSELL VS. SCOTT.

Prisoners Withdraw Their Plea of Justification in the Libel Case.

The "Times" on the Death of General Walker—Daly, the Dynamiter.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—This morning in the Scott-Russell libel case the time was occupied by the speech of counsel for the defence of the male defendants. He applied for power to amend the date of the alleged misconduct at Winchester, but Justice Hawkins refused. Cousel for Lady Scott also expressed a desire to introduce the sworn statement of Frederick Cast, the groom, who was one of the defendants but who died recently of consumption in Holloway jail, as this was the only evidence counsel could produce in support of that part of the case. The justice, however, also refused this request.

After luncheon Countess Russell took a seat at the solicitors' table and held her mother's hand for a moment and kissed her affectionately as the prisoner was passing towards the dock. Counsel for Lady Scott said that owing to the judge it was clear that an appeal on justification could not be maintained in behalf of his client, and he therefore withdraw that plea. Counsel for the male defendants, Cockerton and Aylott, said in the behalf that after the ruling of Justice Hawkins he could not resist a verdict against his clients and withdraw their plea for justification.

Sir Frank Lockwood, Q.C., for Earl Russell, said his client could not control the course the defence proposed to take, but deeply regretted that the course was taken before he had an opportunity to cross-examine the defendants. Sentence was postponed until to-morrow, the prisoners being allowed bail.

The bimetallic league has cabled to one of its members, Mr. Forbes, who is now in Boston, requesting him to send a wreath and to attend the funeral of Gen. Francis A. Walker. An editorial in the Times on the death of General Walker says: "His death will be regretted in Great Britain amost as much as in the United States. He was one of the fairest and most reasonable advocates of bi-metallism." After eulogizing the deceased's economist's attainments and writings at considerable length, the Times continues: "With all respect, it is improbable that had he lived he could have done so much to further the avowed object of Senator Wolcott's visit. Senator Wolcott will be welcomed here. For several reasons Mr. McKinley could not have chosen a more acceptable envoy, but public opinion in England is more hostile than before to bi-metallism. Nothing can be hoped from the visit except as a political movement and a salve to the silverites. The failure of his mission is certain. No public man whatever his theoretical views would think the present an opportune moment to meet the question, and this opinion will exist at all events as long as bimetallism appears to be dropped or revived according to the exigencies of American domestic politics."

Senor Canovas del Castillo, the Spanish Premier, declares that all the reports circulated regarding impending cabinet changes are unfounded. The chamber will probably meet in April.

John Daly, who was recently released from prison after a term served on conviction of being a dynamiter, made a speech on the subject of his prison life to a densely-packed audience in the Holborn town hall yesterday. A number of societies marched in procession previous to the meeting, amid intense enthusiasm. Daly was greeted with cries of "God bless you." He said that he has witnessed the cruelties that drove Dr. Gallagher insane, but the nature of the acts precluded his describing them to a public audience. He accused the British government of manufacturing evidence against Edward J. Ivory, whose trial for complicity with Tynan in a dynamite conspiracy is pending.

The Bank of England's rate of discount remains unchanged at 4 per cent.

The Chronicle announces that the Pacific cable commission has finally signed its report. It says that the lowest tender for a Fanning island cable ranged from £1,517,000 to £1,880,000, according to whether a 12, 15 or 18-word per minute cable is laid.

INDIGNANT NEWS BOYS.

Will Hold a Mass Meeting in Washington in Protest Against the Parsons.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The newsboys of Washington have been denied the privilege by the commissioners of the district of carrying their papers on the streets on Sunday. They will hold a mass meeting Thursday evening to protest against the action, and will appeal for a revocation of the order. Five-minute speeches will be made by the newsboys at this meeting on both sides of the question. They have secured Willard hall, one of the largest in the city, for their meeting. The ministers of Washington are directly responsible for the edict against the newsboys, and, anticipating the boys' protest, they held a meeting to assure the district commissioners of their intention to demand an enforcement of the order.

A large stock of chenille curtains at Weiler Bros. The public will do well to see these goods. x

If sick headache is misery, what are Carter's Little Liver Pills if they will positively cure it? People who have used them speak frankly of their worth. They are small and easy to take.

HOISTING PLANT FOR LE ROI.

Larger Than That of Any Other Canadian Mine—Customs Collections at Nelson.

ROSSLAND, Jan. 7.—(Special)—The new hoisting plant for the Le Roi mine has a larger capacity than that of any other metal mine in Canada. It will be running in thirty days and the output will be then increased to 500 tons per day. Golden Drip, which adjoins the famous O.K. and I.X.L. mines is the scene of a new strike to-day. Two feet of fine free milling quartz have been found in the north drift.

The customs collections for the port of Nelson for the month of December total $33,423.69, made up as follows: Rossland, $12,085.56; Trail, $7,841.54; Kaslo, $7,398.27; Nelson, $5,385.65; Waneta, $605.78; Rykerts, $106.89. The dutiable goods imported aggregated $124,143 and free goods $32,820, the exports totalling $485,182, of which $250 was gold dust, $145,264 ore, and $337,936 copper matte.

M'KINLEY'S FINANCIAL POLICY.

What Are Supposed to Be the Views of the New President.

The result of a recent interview on the financial question by E. V. Smalley, the well known newspaper correspondent, with the President-elect, published in the New York Post, is as follows:

1. An immediate revision of the tariff on moderate protection lines. No extremely high duties that might foster trusts or defeat the purpose of obtaining adequate revenue to pay the expenses of the government.

2. The restoration of the reciprocity treaties of the Harrison administration.

3. The maintenance of all kinds of money at a parity with gold.

4. Efforts towards international bimetallism, in fulfillment of the pledge of the St. Louis platform.

5. Gradual retirement of the greenbacks, as soon as the government has a surplus of revenue to apply to this purpose, and some other form of currency, bank or metallic, can be substituted for them. No new issue of bonds will be favored for the purpose of taking up the greenbacks. Possibly some plan may be suggested for a virtual retirement of a considerable part of the greenbacks and treasury notes by their use as a part of the bank reserves; this with a view of strengthening the gold basis of the currency.

6. An enlargement of the national banking system to enable independent banks or branches of city banks to be carried on in small towns. This might lower the interest rate in the country districts and tend to lessen the present centripetal tendency of money toward the large cities.

7. Economy in government expenditures to correspond with the economies enforced in all other lines of business by the condition of the times.

IN AND OUT OF HAVANA.

Insurgents More Active and Hopeful Than Ever—None of Them Have Surrendered.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The World's special correspondent in the field near Arroiro Arena, province of Havana, Cuba, says: "I have been fortunate enough to get into Havana and get out again, and to find the insurgents forces all in just twelve hours. This place is six miles from San Pedro, where Maceo is reported to have been killed. It is not true that either Pinar del Rio or Havana provinces have been pacified. The insurgents are not thinking of making peace. They are more active and hopeful than ever. The observations of the World correspondent, who accompanied the Spanish troops with the pass granted by General Weyler, mis-stated the true situation in this respect. Only portions of the province have been deserted by the insurgents, chiefly for lack of food. There never were but 6,000 rebels in Pinar del Rio province. They are still there. General Weyler at the head of thirty thousand Spanish troops, did not conquer them. Maceo never fought in heavy columns. His bands were always scattered and he never had more than 200 men with him. His plan was to harass, tease and tire out the enemy. I find the situation here looks better for the insurgents to-day than when I left Pinar del Rio last August. Even the Spaniards admit that none of the insurgents have surrendered."

THOSE WONDERFUL WIRES.

How the Situation is Appreciated by a Witty Operator.

"BUFFALO, Jan. 7.—The Washington correspondent of the usually well informed Commercial telegraphs to-day day regarding the forthcoming tariff bill as follows: The Republican members of the ways and means committee will begin serious work on the new tariff bill when the present hearings are over. They do not regard the hearings as of great importance, except for the purpose . . ." The dispatch concludes with the following:

"This item you'll note, is incomplete,
The fault we cannot shoulder;
Perhaps the wire is covered with sleet,
Or a pole knocked out by a boulder;
(With apologies to the editor.")

MAN OF MANY MURDERS.

Butler, the Australian Fiend, Reported to Have Been Seen in Honolulu.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—The steamship Coptic arrived to-day from Hongkong and Yokohama and Honolulu. Honolulu people claim to have seen Butler, the Australian murderer, in that town shortly after the arrival of the last Australian steamer. The identification is not definite, however, and no trace of him can be found in Hawaii.

Buy air-tight heaters at Cheapside. x

OPENING OF SESSION.

Parliament to Meet March 4—Tariff Commission Not to Visit British Columbia.

Staff on Sault Canal Discharged—Parcel Post for Points in Australia.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 7.—Thursday, March 4, is now talked of as the date of the meeting of parliament.

The tariff commissioners will only be able to visit Halifax and St. John in the maritime provinces. Manitoba and British Columbia will not be visited at all.

Owing to pressure of official business Hon. Mr. Laurier has had to decline an invitation to attend the annual banquet of the Boston Merchants' Association, to be held on the 18th instant. The Premier, however, may visit Washington at the end of the month.

All the staff of the Canadian Sault canal, including the mechanical superintendent, a brother of Dr. Montague, have been discharged, with the exception of Superintendent Boyd.

The Post Office department has issued a notification that parcels for Queensland, Victoria and South Australia may hereafter be forwarded via Vancouver at the same rates as to Sydney, viz., 24 cents per pound.

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

The Macdonald Election.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Jan. 7.—The Macdonald election trial closed as predicted. Judgment was given to void the election, but the proceedings on the judgment are stayed until the appeal to the Supreme court on the preliminary objections is disposed of, thereby withholding their lordships report to the speaker till after such appeal is heard. No order was made as to costs. Meanwhile Mr. Boyd keeps the seat.

Suicide at Port Stanley.

DUNVILLE, Jan. 7.—James Fawcett, formerly a miller of Port Stanley, committed suicide here yesterday by shooting. Ill health is supposed to have been the cause of the deed.

Church Damaged by Fire.

KINGSTON, Jan. 7.—A fire broke out in the vestry of Christ church, Tamworth. The flames were confined to that part of the building, but the interior of the church was badly damaged by smoke. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Winnipeg Election Contest.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 7.—The bill of particulars on which the petition against the election of Hon. Hugh John Macdonald for Winnipeg is founded was filed at the court house to-day by T. G. Mather, acting as agent for D. M. Cooper, attorney for the petitioners. The bill comprises 34 pages of closely type-written matter and contains 106 charges. In each case the names of the parties concerned are mentioned. A large number of charges of bribery are made.

Further Failures.

TORONTO, Jan. 7.—As a result of McMaster & Co.'s financial difficulty, Conway & Co., drygoods merchants of Chatham, have assigned, and Crawford, Lynch & Co., of Orillia, have called a meeting of their creditors.

Colchester to Be Declared Vacant.

HALIFAX, Jan. 7.—It is stated that when the Colchester election case comes before the Supreme court at Truro on Friday, counsel for Mr. Dimock, M.P., will acknowledge a violation of the law by agents, and consent to the seat being declared vacant.

Department Store Suspended.

ST. CATHARINES, Jan. 7.—J. H. McClung & Co.'s departmental store has suspended payment, owing to the failure of several large houses with which they had been doing business.

Paper to Be Wound Up.

TORONTO, Jan. 7.—The creditors of the Week Publishing Company have decided to wind up the business of the paper. The liabilities are not very large.

An Old Lake Captain.

WINDSOR, Jan. 7.—Capt. George Irving, aged 81, one of the oldest captains on the lakes, is dead here. He was the first man who took a vessel from Lake Huron to Lake Superior before the canal was constructed. He superintended the construction gates on the Soo canal when it was built.

Nova Scotia Legislature.

HALIFAX, Jan. 7.—The Nova Scotia legislature is summoned to meet on January 27.

Roberval Nunnery Disaster.

ROBERVAL, Jan. 7.—So far only three bodies have been taken from the ruins of the convent of Notre Dame. The search for others is going on, but the work is hampered by the lack of proper appliances. The loss by the burning of the convent is estimated at $30,000, and is supposed to be about covered by insurance.

THAT the telegraph wires are down East was all the explanation obtainable of the fact that only a few pages of telegraph copy reached this office last night.

Mining Companies' office stationery a specialty at the COLONIST office. x

UNDER THE BAN.

Interference With the Press Other Than by Legal Process a Serious Matter.

The Subject Discussed by a New York Journal—Reasoning of the Bishops.

(From the Toronto Mail.)

The Episcopal mandate placing the Quebec Liberal organ L'Electeur under the ban is an exercise of ecclesiastical authority altogether unknown outside of the Lower Province. Absolute freedom is ensured for the press in every other part of Canada, and in every modern state. The restriction of journalistic liberty would not be undertaken by the hierarchy in Ontario or by the Roman Catholic bishops in Great Britain, France, or the United States. Ecclesiastics in this province and in the countries mentioned are content to follow the ordinary course where criticisms or opinions adverse to their views are uttered; they will answer the critics if they think it worth their while, and they will leave the people under their spiritual charge free to judge of the merits of the discussion. As a matter of fact, except in Quebec, the ban has no place.

Speaking generally, the bishops in Quebec have always had an eye upon the provincial press. But it was not until the rise of Ultramontanism under the last Pope that the claim to supervise and control was advanced in all its force. Bishop Bourget, one of the founders of what was termed the new school, taking his cue from the syllabus, essayed the establishment of a "good press" and the destruction of the "bad press"—that is to say, the press which spoke to the people regardless of Church authority. "Every journal," declared the bishop, "which pretends to be free in its religious and political opinions is in error," and being in error could of course be placed under the ban. In pursuit of this doctrine journal after journal was suppressed. Le Pays published a report favorable to Victor Emmanuel, together with the proclamations of Garibaldi. It was destroyed. The Gazette de Sorel objected to clerical intereference in elections. It was denounced. Any paper that dissented from the clerical view, or was colourless or neutral, was condemned as sinful, and was compelled to cease publication. For fully twenty years after Bishop Bourget's crusade nothing was done to correct the press. Presumably the editors were conducting themselves with propriety. But in 1892 opinions were freely expressed, and then the ban was as freely employed. One journal which had applied itself to the question of education received prompt attention. It was ordered to stop, ostensibly because it had published a quotation from a poet whose works had been placed upon the Index, but, as was claimed, in reality because it had freely criticized the schools. Another objected to the tithes. It was placed under the ban, to arise again, however, with a new name. The most notable of recent cases was that of the Canada Revue. This paper attacked the clergy with a freedom that is not usual. In condemning it and ordering the people not to read it the present Archbishop of Montreal gave expression to opinions that have become notable, His Grace and the bishops of his ecclesiastical province asserted that the Church is divided into two classes—the clergy and the laity, the authority and the multitude, the governing and the governed. The governing class has the right to direct the thoughts of the governed, and is to be free from all criticisms, because, so the pastoral asserted, "it does not rest with the laity, however Catholic it may be, to trace a line of conduct for the clergy, much less to judge and condemn them." This doctrine, applied to the paper, ruled it out, and became the justification for the order served upon the people not to read it. The case of L'Electeur, of Quebec, stands upon a somewhat different basis, to that of the other papers that have been proscribed, although the doctrine applied to it is the same. L'Electeur was a deplorable specimen of journalism. Its proprietor, Mr. Ernest Pacaud, was the right hand man of Mr. Mercier in his lifetime, just as he has been the chief journalistic agent of Mr. Laurier in recent years. It was he who had the Quebec toll-gate. It was he who secured the $100,000 from the Baie des Chaleurs railway subsidy for the electoral purposes of his leaders. This money he has been ordered by the courts to refund, on the ground that it was diverted from its proper purpose. In his paper Mr. Pacaud has made, in conformity with the political requirements of his principal, abuse and opportunism his stock-in-trade. The character of opponents L'Electeur has never respected. It assailed Mr. Angers with slanders of a most dastardly character. First it entered his home and attacked his wife, alleging that she had received jewels as a bribe to influence her husband. Then it was compelled to confess that its story that Mr. Angers had himself accepted $25,000 in respect of a public contract was a fabrication. Pursued for libel in consequence of this unfounded charge, it turned upon the judges who found it guilty upon its own admission and accused them of partisanship. On the religious issue which its leader cast into our politics it has followed the sinuosities of the party. Two years ago it was shouting for the Quebec clergy to aid Mr. Laurier. "Why are the clergy silent?" it cried. "why should they not take sufficient guarantees from candidates to vote in favor of the repeal of the odious Greenway law?" Then speaking, as it said it did, for Mr. Laurier, it made enormous promises to the Roman Catholic clergy, telling them that the Liberals were to give separate schools up to the hilt. Finally, it has drifted into a campaign of a character altogether dissimilar to that which other Liberal journals have entered upon. The majority of such journals support the Manitoba settlement by reasoning and upon its merits. They are not banned. L'Electeur, on the contrary, commended it to the people, by attacking the motives of the very ecclesiastics whom it called out to support Mr. Laurier.

But the quarrel with the clergy—a quarrel which has been commenced for purely partisan reasons, a quarrel in which the newspaper asserts its right to depart from argument and to be abusive—is one thing; the suppression of the paper, no matter what its character, by the exercise of ecclesiastical authority, is another thing. The interference with the press otherwise than by process of law is a serious matter. If the bishops can say who shall and who shall not publish, what shall and what shall not be said in the press, all public discussion is in their hands. They have, in virtue of their office as spiritual leaders, a power which no state, Russia excepted, would undertake to exercise. It was a question in the Canada Revue case whether such power legally rested with the bishops. The basis upon which it is claimed is a decree of the Council of Trent, constituting the bishop the judge of the moral character of publications, and enabling him to say that the person who reads or keeps in his possession prohibited books shall be excommunicated. This is the authority that is cited by the bishops in support of their action against L'Electeur. But the point has been taken that these decrees have no force here. According to the judgment in the Guibord case they were never proclaimed or accepted in France, and as the Church in Quebec enjoys such powers only as the Church in France enjoyed at the time of the cession, she cannot have the right to supervise the press, no matter what the Council of Trent may have said. It is announced that the question is to be appealed to Rome by the Liberal leaders. We beg to say to Mr. Laurier that all Canada is interested in this matter, and that Rome is not the place in which the civil rights of Canadians are to be ajudicated upon. He may go to Rome for decisions touching the doctrines of his Church, but it is his duty not only to have this question threshed out, but to have it so dealt with by the civil courts that we may know, once and for all, where we are and what remedy we ought to apply.

(From the New York Times.)

An echo of the Middle Ages comes to us from the northern border. To most of the readers of the Times it must be hard to believe that at the close of the nineteenth century Roman Catholic bishops have forbidden Catholics to "read, circulate or otherwise encourage" a newspaper, "under pain of being deprived of the benefits of the Church," and have done this because the newspaper has published an article by a contributor upholding the supremacy of the state and denying the right of the Church to dictate to electors how they shall vote in such a matter as the Manitoba school question.

In the United States such an act by two or more men, no matter what might be their office or their spiritual authority, would probably be judged by the courts to be a conspiracy in restraint of personal rights. What it may be in Canadian law, we do not know, but if the publisher attacked carries out his reported intention to sue each of the bishops for damages, we shall be greatly surprised if he does not win his suit. It is hardly possible that the law of Canada recognizes the existence within the range of its nominal jurisdiction of an authority entitled to violate principles that obtain in every other part of the globe where the English law prevails.

But the anachronism and anomaly of the legal situation thus created are not more amazing than the ineptitude of the Bishops. It is hardly possible that in any other civilized country the Church would undertake so to dictate the political course of its members, and so to repress all discussion of its course. Not that the reasoning of the Bishops is illogical, but that the time has gone by when prelates making the assumption of infallibility as a premise can afford to be strictly logical.

The keepers of the consciences of men have generally found that their authority can be asserted in practice only by adapting it somewhat to the actual state of the consciences they have in keeping. They secure obedience by limiting their commands. When they do not, they find, as a matter of fact, that their "keeping" is more formal than real. Probably the Bishops of Quebec will sooner or later learn this in the school of experience. In the meantime they are contributing to the instruction, possibly, and certainly to the amusement of the modern world.

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Methodist Minister, Toronto

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Dated 20th December, 1896.

By order of the Trustees,
de31 C. DUBOIS MASON, Secretary

Advertisements under the heads of Lost, Found For Sale or To Let and Situations Wanted will be inserted at the rate of one cent a word each insertion. Payment always in advance. No advertisement received for less than twenty-five cents.

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WANTED—By young woman, situation for general housework. Apply B., Colonist office. ja7

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MISCELLANEOUS.

F. ELWORTHY—Balance-sheets prepared, accounts audited, general agencies taken. Office, Board of Trade Building. au30 tf

IN MEMORIAM—"Immortelles," of lovely, chaste, appropriate, daintily finished designs in permanent materials; just arrived from England. For sale at Invertavish Nursery, Park road. ja5

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver's Municipal Nominations —Death by Supposed Poisoning —A Girl's Brigade.

The "Mud Lark" in Trouble—Mines on Bowan Island—Kootenay Ore Shipments.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 7.—The Capilano has arrived in port with a 50,000 pound cargo of halibut, which was at once sent East. On the arrival of the steamer the coroner was notified that the body of A. H. Burman, a fisherman, was on board. Burman had died suddenly while engaged in his duties. The symptoms were those of poison. At dinner on the day of his death Burman had eaten meat. The others had not. Deceased was a native of Massachusetts and unmarried.

The health committee met yesterday and again strongly recommended that a ward for women be built at the city hospital. This is very much needed.

The postal service, as enjoyed in the city proper, is being extended to Mount Pleasant, a carrier being provided for the Hill.

A photographic club has been formed in the city, and arrangements are being made for a clubhouse and periodical cycling runs.

The civic nominations passed off quietly to-day. Ald. Banfield and William Templeton were nominated for mayor. In Ward 1, Aldermen Shaw and Painter, being the only nominees, were declared elected by acclamation. In Ward 2, the nominees are Ald. Shou, H. A. Hell, Jas. McQueen, Chas. Boardman and T. F. Neelands; Ward 3, H. C. Dougherty, J. Clendenning, D. McPhaiden; Ward 4, Jas. Ellison, C. L. Behnsen, W. J. Dickinson, W. S. McDonald and Wm. Brown; Ward 5, T. P. Stretch, J. A. McRae, C. A. Caldwell and D. G. McDonald. The nominations for school trustees and license commissioners were numerous.

J. A. Forin was sworn in as County court judge for Kootenay by Mr. Justice McCreight and Judge Bole to-day.

The funeral of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnston, Keefer street, was held yesterday.

Yesterday the remains of A. O. Green, late of Liverpool, who is thought to have committed suicide in the Gold house, were interred in the cemetery.

Prominent tobacconists are annoyed at the inroads upon their trade made by the grocers, and are petitioning the council to arrange, if possible to have an annual tax imposed on all those who sell tobacco.

J. Creagh, of Vancouver, and L. H. Jenns, formerly of Kamloops, have entered into partnership as mining, financial agents, etc.

A girl's brigade is being organized in the city. So far the efforts of the promoters have been successful, a large number of young misses signifying their intention of joining.

The mayoralty contest has fairly begun. Last night Ald. Banfield's supporters met in committee rooms and strong committees were chosen. There was a large and enthusiastic attendance.

The smelter by-law will not be placed before the people until matters are more definitely understood between the council and the promoters. As things are at present, the impression is growing that the bonus asked for, $150,000, is too large and the general terms unfavorable to the city. The council are endeavoring to keep the city out of the hands of the bonus hunter.

J. W. Weart has returned from Bowan Island on a tour of inspection to the Albion mines, in which he and Barristers Cowan and Henry Shaw are especially interested. Mr. Weart says the properties, of which there are twelve, look particularly well, and they have applied for crown grants. There is no doubt whatever that the ore is there in immense quantities, as it can be traced superficially for a long distance. The ledge that they are now working on is not tunnelled more than 50 feet, but the vein has already widened from 5 feet on the surface to 7 feet, and at the present depth assayed $14 in silver, the average assay of a number of pieces of rock picked at random only running a trifle under that. The report from the assayer, however, disclosed the good news that the ore can be concentrated on the ground eight to one. The present total charge per ton would be $10.25, but by careful computation and counting every conceivable expense the concentrating system will reduce the actual cost per ton to less than $5. The company, with this assurance from reputable experts, have decided to adopt a vigorous policy and develop their properties as fast as available funds will allow, putting a concentrator on the ground at the earliest possible date.

The final game in the Hotel Vancouver billiard tournament was played last night between H. J. Sharpe and A. E. Kealey, 220 each. The former won by 61 points.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Jan. 7.—In the case of Readman vs. Thompson and Hull, Capt. Pettendrigh, S.M., has decided that Thompson committed an aggravated assault without provocation. Thompson was fined $31.

In the case of Turnbull and McIntosh vs. Jones, before C. T. Atkinson, P.M., in which the prisoner was charged with housebreaking, the case is remanded.

REVELSTOKE.

REVELSTOKE, Jan. 1.—Ore shipments through Revelstoke since last report are as follows:

Mine.	Lbs.	Value.	Destination.
G. H. Ryland	161,000	$ 9,107	Omaha
Idaho	160,000	11,448	Everett
Queen Bess	42,000	2,164	Everett
Slocan Star	160,000	6,495	Omaha
Mountain Chief	40,000	2,465	" "
Enterprise	40,000	2,334	" "
Total	603,000	$34,013	

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Jan. 7.—The government dredge Mud Lark, which arrived here some days ago, is delayed from getting to work by the breaking of two of her iron-tipped anchor-posts during recent trouble on the way up. These are now being replaced with all possible speed and the dredge in a few days will be in working order.

The regular meeting of the fire department was held on Tuesday night for the purpose of passing the usual accounts and transacting detail business. The question of the constitutionality of allowing the membership of the department to be greater than 30, it being now 39, was brought up for discussion and finally referred to a committee to report.

CHEMAINUS.

CHEMAINUS, Jan. 5.—The Christmas tree in connection with All Saints' church, given in the Westholme hall on the 2nd inst., was a success.

An entertainment under the auspices of the St. Michael's and All Angels' church, will be given in the new Chemainus hall on the 14th inst. Every effort is being made to furnish a good programme. The proceeds go towards purchasing a new organ for the church.

Messrs. Kirkendale, Storkey and Beddis, of Salt Spring Island, enjoyed a few days hunting last week around the Chemainus river.

The schools of the district reopened on Monday after two weeks' vacation.

The Leiderhorn is loading lumber for Australia.

Mr. Walter Betts, of Victoria, made a flying visit to Chemainus last week.

CHILLIWACK.

(From the Progress.)

The Indians of Cultus Lake and other reservations are very busy getting out some 20,000 hop poles for Mr. Hulbert.

W. E. Thornton, of Promontory Flats, shot a large cougar the other evening. It was a monster, measuring about eight feet from tip to tip, and weighing nearly 175 lbs.

A. D. Clarke, who has long been a resident of Sumas, left on Saturday to take charge of one of Mr. Tingley's ranches, 119 miles from Ashcroft, on the Cariboo road. In fraternal societies both in Chilliwack and Sumas, Mr. Clarke has held good and responsible offices, which positions he held with credit to himself and honor to the respective lodges.

The dyking of Cocooppel slough has been quietly talked up among those most concerned during the past few weeks, and it is now practically complete. The proposal is simply to dyke Cocooppel slough, continuing the dyke wherever required to the mouth of the Chilliwack, which enters the Fraser near the spot known as the Old Camp Ground. The result would be a lowering of the water exactly the amount of the fall of the Fraser between the points mentioned. As the distance is about two miles and the current is rapid the fall must be considerable. No accurate measurements have been made, but it is estimated as being at least one to two feet, while many believe it would be double as much. Even at the lowest estimate an immense advantage would be gained as it is always the last foot or two that does the damage. It is hoped that the dyke will be complete by April, and if the expectations of the promoters are fulfilled all land within the described area, comprising some of the choicest farming land in Chilliwack will be protected. In addition to the above a dyke nearly two miles long is in process of building by Messrs. J. Reece, I. Kipp, J. McCutcheon, H. Kipp, R. Norwell, L. N. Smith and J. S. Smith. The work is well advanced and in ordinary years will give effectual protection to their own lands.

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A lady, whose name we are permitted to mention, will not soon forget the spring of 1890. It was then that for the first time in her life she was afraid to be left alone; not from fear of enemies, but from sheer nervous excitement. She was obliged to have elastic put into her slippers to let them out—her feet were swollen so; and her hands were in the same condition. In the morning her face would puff up and large lumps form under her eyes and on her cheeks. Then a rash made its appearance all over her body, vanishing again almost immediately, as a blush comes and goes on the face.

The suddenness of this she compares to the sting of a wasp or hornet. An intense itching accompanied it, so she could not lie in bed or be quiet in any position on account of it. She was in misery night and day and scarcely knew what to do with herself. Her legs got so painful and felt so tired she was put to it to get about. For eighteen months (it must have seemed like as many years!) she was tormented in this way.

Meanwhile she consulted two doctors, and attended successively at the Newcastle Infirmary and at the Dispensary. But nothing more than temporary ease came of the treatment they gave her. The doctors recommended a change of air, and in August, 1891 she went to North Sunderland. She found relief at that place, but not from the air.

Now we must get back to the spring of 1890, and inquire what, if anything, preceded this strange outbreak. At that time the lady says, she first felt languid, tired and constantly sleepy. She was troubled with bad headaches and attacks of giddiness. Her appetite failed; she could eat but little, and after eating had a feeling of weight and fulness at the chest and sides. Her whole system was depressed, and the life in her appeared to sink, as the water does in a cistern where there exists a hidden leak somewhere. Then came what has already been described.

At North Sunderland whither she went for a change of air, she met a gentleman named Cathcart, who expressed a most intelligent opinion of her case and advised the use of Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. Convinced by his reasoning she procured a supply of this well-known remedy and began taking it.

Her letter concludes in these words: "After I had used the Syrup only a few days I felt a decided improvement in all respects. My appetite revived, my food digested better, and soon the rash and lumps entirely disappeared to return no more. I have since enjoyed the best of health. You are at liberty to make my statement public if you think it may be useful to others. Signed Mrs. Sarah Charleton, 27 John street, Arthur's Hill, Newcastle, February 7th, 1893."

We congratulate this lady on her recovery and thank her for allowing us to publish the above details of her experience. The doctors called her ailment nettle rash, but it was more than that. Her blood was loaded with the poisonous acids generated by indigestion and dyspepsia—the same as the poisons of gout and of acute inflammatory rheumatism. The irritated nerves of the skin produced the rash, as the clogged pores were unable to excrete the poison. The purifying powers of Seigel's Syrup expelled this poison through the kidneys and bowels and by stimulating insensible perspiration over the whole surface of the skin.

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TIME TABLE No. 29.

Takes effect December 24th, 1896.

Vancouver Route.

Victoria to Vancouver—Daily, except Monday, at 1 o'clock.

Vancouver to Victoria—Daily, except Monday, at 13:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 1 train.

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TIME TABLE No. 27,

To take effect at 8 a.m. on Monday, November 2, 1896. Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH.

	Daily	Sat'day
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	A.M. 8:00	P.M. 3:20
Ar. Nanaimo	11:40	6:38
Ar. Wellington	12:00	6:55

GOING SOUTH.

	Daily	Sat'day
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	A.M. 8:20	P.M. 3:30
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:40	3:45
Ar. Victoria	12:20	7:00

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For Portland	12:20 p.m.
*For Olympia	8:20 a.m.
*For Gray's H. and S. Bend	12:20 p.m
For Tacoma	8:20 a.m
For Tacoma	12:20 p.m.
For Tacoma	6:00 p.m.

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From Spokane, St. Paul and East	2:30 p.m.
From Portland	8:20 p.m.
*From Olympia	8:20 p.m.
*From Gray's H. and S. Bend	8:20 p.m.
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THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

In a very few days the municipal voters of Victoria will be called upon to choose the men to whose care for the next twelve months it is their good will and pleasure to confide the municipal concerns of the city. Under ordinary circumstances it would be needless to say that the trust is a most important one, but, at the present time, there are special reasons which will at once suggest themselves on account of which the twelve months upon which we are entering will be of special moment to the citizens. But few candidates are already in the field for the representation of the various wards, a fact which our readers generally will be surprised to notice in view of the comparative unfortunate experiences of recent years of men whose capacity was to talk at council meetings of what should be or should have been done, and to attempt to shoulder off upon one another or upon officials of the different departments responsibilities which devolved upon them when they took the oaths of office and assumed their seats at the Council Board.

There has been a great deal of talk in some quarters of running municipal and provincial matters on the lines of Dominion politics; but what should the purely administrative business of our city and province have to do with the general concerns of a country like Canada, the different sections of which have special interests that are peculiarly their own? To speak of the city of Victoria, it may be said that the matters with which the City Council has to do only indirectly affect the rest of the Confederation, although it is true that its prosperity or the reverse in its measure adds to or detracts from the general result. But, as regards the city itself, the Board of Aldermen are in a degree the heads of a family, whose well-being it is for them to advance and safeguard in every legitimate way. This surely does not bring in what are termed Dominion politics. In Provincial matters it has, moreover, been proved that the provinces which are the best regulated and the most prosperous are those whose legislators attend to their own peculiar concerns and leave the leaders at Ottawa to do their fighting on their own lines and within their own ground.

No matter who they are, we want the best available men at the City Council Board. We have, it is true, or ought to have, as the practical heads of the departments men who understand their business or profession, and over them unless the citizens are content that they should carry on matters as they please, we require men of common sense and business ability—not talking machines whose self-constituted mission is to make the worst appear the better cause. In considering municipal concerns the citizens have not alone to remember past experiences, and the amount of money which, in some directions, has been absolutely wasted because the men who controled the expenditure either did not appreciate the conditions and blundered through ignorance, or were utterly unfitted for the responsible positions in which they had been placed, and through influences altogether outside of those by which, as we believe, should have obtained, determined the results.

Then, if we look to the future, we cannot fail to see that the conditions of Victoria have materially changed within the last few years, and we have to provide for the requirements of a city vastly different from that which its founders contemplated. It may be said that the conditions which have to be dealt with are in some respects peculiar; we have to make what in many respects will be a new Victoria, and the taxpayers cannot afford costly experiments by men who are not equal to the situation.

Many good citizens to whom the people would gladly have entrusted the city destinies, have been, and are, unwilling to come to the front and in the new deal, which it is expected election day will inaugurate, we want, as we have before said, our best men to do the best work they can in behalf of their fellows and of their own individual interests. The consideration of every member of the Council Board during the year ought to be "how best can I benefit the community even if it requires the sinking of my own individuality." The taxpayers should remember that they pay their money to have the city run right, and should put the men in charge, as aldermen or mayor, whom they would select to entrust their money to for private investment.

THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

If the Conservatives had sought for some way to secure support and endorsation for the National Policy and for the tariff by which its objects are reached, they could not have found a method more likely to attain their purpose than the commission, composed of members of the present Liberal Government, which is now travelling through the different provinces; ostensibly, to obtain the fullest information from persons engaged in various lines of industry; really, to find a plausible excuse for not making such changes and reductions in the present scale of duties as would leave the country without the revenue requisite for the public service.

We observe that Sir Oliver Mowat since the sitting at Hamilton when, overcome with *ennui* at the monotony of the proceedings, he took a nap, has been present at but few sessions. It would have been an occasion of peculiar interest had he been at the sitting held in Ottawa on Monday last. Then the Hon. E. H. Bronson, a member of the Hon. Mr. Hardy's cabinet, as he was also of that of Sir Oliver Mowat, gave testimony against reducing the duties on pork and other commodities produced in Canada. Although Mr. Bronson is engaged largely in the lumber business and the cheapening of the price of pork—an article largely consumed in the lumber camps—would indirectly benefit the Canadian lumberman in his competition with his rival across the boundary, he was opposed to putting pork on the free list, because it would injure Canadian farmers. Yet Mr. Bronson is a sturdy Liberal; has been since 1890 a member of the Liberal Government of Ontario, and Free Trade was inscribed on the banner under which Mr. Laurier led his party in the last campaign.

So far there has been no substantial support given to radical changes in the tariff in any of the numerous places at which the Tariff Commission has held its sittings. Even Hon. Mr. Fisher, the Minister of Agriculture, was betrayed into an admission of surprise at Toronto, at the fact that in the heart of what he described as the finest farming country in the Dominion, there was practically no demand from the agriculturists for reductions in the tariff, much less for the abandonment of the policy of Protection. Perhaps, if Mr. Fisher had recalled to mind the striking object lesson which the farmers have recently had presented to them in the fact that they were getting six or seven cents a bushel more for their wheat than their American rivals, his surprise would have disappeared.

THE THREE R'S.

Attention has lately been directed to the schools of New York. The teachers, it is said, are underpaid and the school curriculum is too long. The children are compelled to study too many subjects and there is not time to learn any of them thoroughly. There are sixteen or seventeen subjects on the course of studies for the common schools, and all the children are expected to study them all whether or not they intend to go to college. In spite, or more likely, because of the multiplicity of studies, children of fourteen or fifteen years of age often leave school without being able to write a letter properly or to read intelligently an ordinary newspaper or magazine article.

It would be better both for scholars and teachers if they confined their attention to a thorough mastery of the three R's and spent on them the attention and intellectual force that are now dissipated by a variety of subjects which it is impossible to study properly in the short time that can be devoted to each, and many of which, even if thoroughly learned, would not be of as much use to the future citizen as the ability to spell and write well, to read so as to make the author's thought one's own, and to understand the principles and applications of the rules of arithmetic. The New York Advertiser, writing on this subject, says:

Would it not be better to leave out some of these studies altogether and concentrate time and energy upon those which will be of most importance to the pupil in his future life and work? Few educators realize how much is meant by a firm hold upon the three "R.'s;" how much mental discipline is involved and what a great degree of culture is implied in these apparently simple accomplishments.

The tendency to unduly lengthen the common school curriculum is not confined to New York, for there are very few school systems that do not require both teachers and children to undertake more work than they can accomplish without overloading the memory, starving the imagination and neglecting the reasoning powers.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

THE cotton states of the Mississippi valley have been the strong advocates of free trade and the determined opponents of the high protective tariff of the United States. But the opinions of the cotton growers have changed. They want to be protected against Egyptian cotton. Last year 43,000,000 pounds of this cotton was consumed by the American mills, and there is danger that the Southern planters will not be able to compete with the Egyptian growers who have the advantage of cheap labor. They want a duty of three cents a pound on the imported article. It makes a great difference to the advocates of the theory of free trade when they experience the difficulties of its practice.

B. C. SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

The Complications Explained—Schemes to Create Prejudice Against the Road Have Miscarried.

[From the News-Advertiser.]

"Give them more rope and they will hang themselves," is a proverb the shrewness of which has been fully exemplified during the past few days in the case of those, who, for reasons of their own, have been trying to extricate themselves from the embarrassing position in which the Hon. Mr. Blair, relying upon information furnished by these same people, had placed them. We have left them free to say all that they chose and the tangle into which they have got themselves is a striking illustration of the danger which attends those who pronounce an opinion on a subject of which they are almost entirely ignorant. Having blundered egregiously in the statement made to Mr. Blair, they have followed it up by a series of further blunders in the attempt to justify or explain away the first error.

Although the number of separate acts passed at different sessions of the legislature and extending over no less than three parliaments, may make the matter appear involved and complicated to those who have not the patience and assiduity requisite to thoroughly understand it, it is really very simple and clear. Briefly stated the matter is as follows: In the session of 1888 an act was passed incorporating a company to build a railway between the Crow's Nest Pass to the Lower Kootenay river. At the same session an act was also passed giving the company a right of way through the crown lands and such ground as might be required for terminal and other purposes. The railway was then designated as the "Crow's Nest and Kootenay Lake Railway Company." Construction had to be commenced within a certain period. In 1890 the period for construction was extended and an act passed making a grant of land to the company along the line of its road—that is between the Pass and the Lower Kootenay river. As the line ran so close to the boundary that it would be impossible for the company to secure its full grant along the line of route, it was authorized to make up any deficiency from a belt of land near the Pass, the limits of which were specifically defined.

In 1891 another act was passed changing the name of the company to that of the British Columbia Southern Railway Company and authorizing the company to build to the Columbia river in the neighborhood of Fort Sheppard and also a branch to Nelson. It was also authorized to extend its line by a convenient route to Hope, thence to the Fraser river to New Westminster and Burrard Inlet. It was, however, provided that nothing in that act should be construed to increase "the rights, powers and privileges" given to the Crow's Nest and Kootenay Lake Railway Company under "the Railway Aid Act, 1890," "or to extend the aid granted by the said act to the lines authorized to be constructed by this act." That is to say, the extensions westward to the Coast, and southward to Nelson and Fort Sheppard, carried no land grant with them.

In 1893 another act was passed making certain changes, immaterial to the matter now under discussion, and extending the time for the construction of the various parts of the line. In this act first appears the schedule dividing the line into the three sections, the reference to which in subsequent acts has been the cause of the confusion into which the blind guides of Mr. Blair have fallen. Section "c" in the schedule comprised the Western section to the coast. At the same session another act was passed in reference to the original land grant, and more clearly defining how it shall apply to sections "a" and "b." There being no land grant to section "c," the coast section, no reference was made to it.

In 1894 another amending act was passed which was practically a new incorporation of the company, the whole of the former acts of 1888, 1890, 1891 and 1893 being repealed with the exception of one clause in the act of 1888 which gave exemption for three years from provincial and municipal taxation to the property of the company. There was no material change made in the provisions of the act of 1894 from those contained in the four previous acts which it repealed.

At the same session another act was passed in reference to the land grant, and therein occurs the detail which has been the innocent cause of all this hubbub and excitement. The preamble plainly sets out the provisions of the previous acts relating to the land grant, the details of which we have already given, and recites that it is advisable to continue the existing land grant to the said railway. Then it continues, inter alia, after referring to the land grant authorized by the "Railway Aid Act, 1890," and the amendment of 1893, that the grant made thereby "is hereby extended and applied to the several sections of said railway as described in subsections 'a,' 'b' and 'c' of section 8 of the British Columbia Southern Railway Act, 1894."

Now had the foregoing clause stated simply that the grant made by the acts of 1890 and 1893 "is hereby extended to sec 'c'"—the section to the Coast—it would clearly have been an additional land grant, which, with that previously given to sections "a" and "b," would have given the company a land grant for the whole length of its line. But the draughtsman could not have had this in his mind, because in the preamble he sets out that it is "the existing land grant"—that for section "a" and "b"—which "it is advisable to continue." Then in the clause which has caused the commotion, the language employed shows conclusively, we think, that no extension of the original grant was intended, because it says that "the grant made is hereby extended and applied," not merely to section "c," but to the sections to which it was originally given. How can a thing be extended to that which it already covers? The clause read in that way has no meaning, or, if one can be found, it is an absurd one.

But the meaning of that clause can be construed in a manner which is not only intelligible but one which, read with the preamble, shows clearly the reason for the language used. That is that "the existing land grant" which appertained to the original Crow's Nest and Kootenay Lake Railway should be extended and applied to the railway which was comprised in the three sections which formed afterwards the British Columbia Southern Railway.

Besides the support given to this view by the only intelligent construction which can be given to the phraseology of the act, there are other and outside circumstances which go to confirm it. In the original land grant, both the Legislature and the Company were agreed that in case the land along the line had already been selected by other companies, or from other causes, was not available, tracts of land in other parts should be given as an equivalent. But no provision of the sort appears in regard to the grant on section "c," which these clever critics assert the company has secured. Yet such a provision is more necessary on section "c" than on sections "a" and "b," because for a considerable stretch of country it would run through lands which belong to the Dominion, and from which the Province could make no grant. Furthermore, the legislature, at the last session, gave a land grant to the Columbia and Western Railway, which practically covers for a long distance the lands which it is pretended were granted to the British Columbia Southern railway. As yet the latter company never made any objection or protested against such spoliation!

Now, we observe that the parties who have got into such a tangle over the statements which they made to Mr. Blair, are attempting to escape criticism by blaming both sides of the House for careless legislation. Evidently, having had a gentle hint from the government that their share of government pap, which is their chief source of subsistence, may be withdrawn if they continue making such reckless statements, they are now turning their attention to the opposition in the present and preceding parliaments. Here, unluckily for themselves, they have struck a nasty snag, because the report of the proceedings shows that two members of the opposition on one occasion—Messrs. Semlin and Cotton—and Mr. Beaven on another, raised the question as to whether the wording was explicit and clear enough in its intention not to extend the land grant. The Attorney-General replied that it was, and Colonel Baker said that the company did not ask for any grant beyond that originally granted. Yet if these clumsy schemers are correct in their statements, the present Chief Justice and the Provincial Secretary deliberately stated in the house what was not true. We think the wholesome dread which such people have of the law of libel, will cause them to hesitate before they repeat these charges, and we think that the result of all this scheming to prejudice Mr. Blair and the Dominion government against the B. C. Southern railway will be realized by them as having so miscarried, that in the words of the immortal Dogberry, they will exclaim: "Write me down an ass!"

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THE CITY

CAPITAL lodge, L.O.L., give a concert and dance in Sir William Wallace hall next Monday evening.

MR. H. E. A. ROBERTSON gives notice in the Gazette that application will be made to the legislature next month to revive the Victoria, Vancouver & New Westminster Railway Act of 1894.

A SECOND projected railway to divert the trade of the Yukon country in this direction will seek incorporation during the 1897 session of the local house. Its termini are Stickeen and Dease Lake, Cassiar.

THE Y.M.C.A. football club will have a practice game at Beacon Hill to-morrow afternoon. All members of the club should attend, as the team to play against the Columbias for the cup on the 16th will be selected.

THE First Presbyterian church choir are engaged rehearsing for their annual Burns' concert. Mr. Browne says that the music to be rendered this year will not have been given in Victoria before, and promises a most interesting entertainment. The date of the concert is not definitely fixed, but it will be on or about the 25th inst.

THE Fifth Regiment band will be assisted at their concert in the Drill hall to-morrow evening by Mme. Marie Rouselle, who, with her husband and family, has been visiting Victoria during several weeks past. Mme. Rouselle was formerly a member of the Carl Rosa Grand English Opera Co. and is spoken of as a singer of great ability.

A SPECIAL and strong attraction is announced for this evening at the Trilby concert garden, in the form of a four-round scientific sparring contest for points, between the old veterans Mullen and "Prof." Bob Foster. Both of the tulips have been training zealously and consistently for years and years and a contest is in consequence assured that will be worth miles of travelling to witness.

A QUARTETTE giving their names as John White, A. Griffin, F. Ingleby, and James Russell, who havebeen ostensibly selling Brummagem jewellery along the line of the E. & N. and palming it off on the unsuspecting settler, were arrested at Duncan on a charge of vagrancy and were yesterday brought to town by Sergeant Langley and Constable F. H. Maitland-Dougall of the provincial police. They will have to give an account of themselves before the police magistrate.

AT Mrs. Dempster's residence, Fernwood road, the members of the W.C.T.U. gathered last night for a sociable reunion and the transaction of business. The approaching civic elections were discussed, and though no member was pledged to support any particular candidate in the coming campaign all disbanded at the conclusion of the meeting with an "understanding." Mrs. Gordon Grant contributed an interesting paper during the afternoon on Miss Flack's report, the statement of the world's W.C.T.U. secretary, who has just returned to England from Canada; and as that lady (Miss Flack) intends visiting the Dominion again in September, it was decided to extend an invitation to her to come to Victoria and Vancouver.

THE police who went over to Port Angeles in the provincial launch in the hope of catching Warner, suspected of being implicated in the Rock Bay hotel robbery, had their chase for nothing. The police started home in the launch yesterday morning, but had to put back on account of stress of weather. Provincial constable McKenna who acted as captain, engineer and pilot laughed at the raging sea, and to calm Sergeant Walker's feelings sang lustily, "A Life on the Ocean Wave," every time his head emerged from the seas that swept over the vessel. Sergeant Walker, though a brave man ashore, draws the line at drinking sea water, and thankful he was when he set foot on shore again. He came home by the Evangel last night pale but happy.

Bass' XXXX on draught at the Occidental x

Selling at cost—A large lot of children's games and toys at Lombard's music store. x

THE Metropolitan church choir practice this evening at the Y.M.C.A. rooms owing to the religious services to be held at the church.

MRS. R. B. ESNOUF, a well known resident of this city and a native of the Isle of Jersey, died yesterday morning at the family residence on Fort street, in her fiftieth year.

A COMPANY represented by Mr. P. C. Dunlevy will seek incorporation by private bill at the approaching session of the local house, for the purpose of acquiring mining and other rights on the Cottonwood river.

AMONG the appointments announced in the Gazette of yesterday are those of Alexander G. Hamilton, of Moosomin, N.W.T., to be a commissioner for taking affidavits for the courts of British Columbia; and Walter Scott, of Illecillewaet, to be mining recorder and collector, under the Revenue Tax Act, for Illecillewaet mining division of West Kootenay.

LAST night Acting G.M. A. Henderson, assisted by G.W., J. Meldrum; G.S., F. Davey; G. Marshal, R. A. Anderson; G.T., A. Graham; G.C., E. Bragg; and G.H., R. Drake, installed the following officers of Dominion lodge No. 4, I.O.O.F.: N.G., W. Falconer; V.G., F. Kermode; Secy., T. Bamford; Treas., P. A. Babington; W., A. R. Gauld; I.G., E. Bragg; Con., F. J. Holland; O.G., W. Huxtable; R.S.N.G., R. A. Anderson; L.S.N.G., L. McNeil; R.S.V.T., A. Meyer; R.S.S., R. Drake.

RT. REV. BISHOP CRIDGE performed the ceremony which last evening united in marriage Mr. J. Kingham and Miss Grace Helen Fawcett, daughter of Mr. R. W. Fawcett, of Carr street. The wedding was solemnized in the presence of a few invited friends, at the home of the bride's parents, the bride—who wore a rich gown of white silk—being attended by her sister, Miss Jessie Fawcett, while Mr. J. H. Austin supported the groom. After enjoying a brief honeymoon tour among the cities of the Sound, Mr. and Mrs. Kingham will return to this city and take up their residence on Menzies street.

THE announcement is made that Mr. R. E. Gosnell, librarian for the legislative assembly, Victoria, who has exceptional facilities for the compilation of the work, has in hand, a Year Book for British Columbia, which will shortly be published. The book will contain in a concise form everything pertaining to the history, politics, trade, industry, laws, social conditions, etc., which is likely to be of interest to those desirous of being informed concerning the province, and will thus be valuable not only to those living within its boundaries, but also to the people of the other provinces of the Dominion. The price will be $1.50 in cloth, or $1.25 in papers covers.

THE Comedy company which opens a week's engagement at the Victoria on Monday next is headed by Leonard Grover, jr., Leonard Grover, sr., and Miss Mary Noble, supported by the principal members of the original Alcazar Company, which gained such an enviable reputation during their long stay at the Alcazar and Columbia theatres, San Francisco. All the scenery, costumes, properties, decorations and mechanical effects which contributed to the unprecedented success of the company and plays in San Francisco will be used here. The repertoire comprises the most successful plays of the day, and it may be predicted that the theatre-goers of Victoria, ever ready to patronize and encourage meritorious entertainments, will greet this company with crowded houses.

ROSSLAND again leads this week in the matter of incorporated companies, as will be seen by the list of gazetted incorporations published below:

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OUT of the twelve games played at last evening's whist tournament in the James Bay Athletic club rooms, ten were captured by Dan O'Sullivan, the other extreme record by C. W. Newbury with a score of two. Seven tables were occupied at the games.

VICTORIA WEST lodge, I.O.G.T., entertained their friends to a delightful concert after the close of routine business on Wednesday evening, with the following programme: Piano and violin duet, Sisters Semple and Butcher; song, Bro. Wilkes; song, Bro. Allen; recitation, Bro. Chas. Waller; song, Bro. Blackman; recitation, Bro. A. Semple; song, Bro. Hatcher; recitation, Sister Butcher; and reading, Bro. Furman.

THE first accident on H.M.S. Icarus since her arrival on this station occurred yesterday morning, but fortunately did not result seriously. A sailor aloft on the foretop-mast lost his footing and tumbled apparently to an instantaneous death on the deck. In his descent, however, he struck the rigging of the ship two or three times and reached the water, from which he emerged and was on deck, little the worse for his fall, in exactly twenty seconds.

AFTER installation by the District Deputy, J. A. Sears, last evening, the members of Majestic Council, No. 1513, Royal Arcanum and their friends spent several social hours, followed by refreshments. The programme was as follows: Remarks by chairman, Mr. W. J. Hanna, solo, Miss Stoddart; solo, Mr. E. E. Wootton; recitation, Miss Dow; song, Mr. W. J. Cave; song, Miss Stoddart; recitation, Miss Sutherland; and speeches, Mr. W. J. and Mr. T. L. L. Lewis of Toronto. The society, which was organized in Boston within recent years, ow boasti of a total membership of 200,000 and of a rapidly increasing popularity.

AMONG the recent well attended and heartily enjoyed Christmas treats was that in which the children of St. Saviour's church were the active participants and which filled Semple's hall to overflowing a few evening's ago. The hall had been tastefully decorated by the proprietors and a glittering and heavily laden Christmas tree had been prepared for the harvest by Mrs. R. J. Russell, assisted by Miss E. Cook. Tea was served to about 150 children during the evening and Mr. S. Reid made a model Santa Claus. The programme provided by the children was a great success, a specially acceptable feature being the dialogue by the members of the Mayflower Club.

THE Nondescripts will to-morrow be represented in their match against the V.R.F.C. by a very strong combination, and as it is anticipated that the game will be the best contested one of the season, it is expected that a large number of spectators will be present. The Victorias have as yet been unbeaten this season, so they will try their utmost to maintain their unbroken record. The following formidable fifteen will represent the club: Full back, H. Petticrew; three-quarters, J. M. Miller (captain), C. Gamble, C. Wilson, and K. Scholefield; halfs, A. T. Goward and B. W. Pender; forwards, A. D. Crease, J. K. Macrae, A. B. Spain, W. R. G. Atkins, J. H. Austin, A. Langley, W. O'Brien and A. V. Innes.

ANOTHER candidates has withdrawn from the contest for aldermanic honors, Mr. Donald McMillan having decided that it will interfere too much with his business to be a member of the city council. He therefore drops out as a contestant for Centre Ward. Mr. E. A. Lewis, who has already served in the capacity of a school trustee has determined to seek election to one of the seats on the school board. The first meetings of the short campaign are those of Mr. C. E. Redfern, one of the candidates for the mayoralty, who addresses the electors at Semple's hall, Victoria West, on Saturday evening; speaking at Johns Bros.' hall, Douglas street, on Monday evening, and at the South Park school on Tuesday evening.

AT the Behring sea claims commission hearing yesterday, James Gray's evidence was continued. He stated that in 1887, just before the Ada sailed for Behring sea, he was offered $9,000 for her by Captain Sieward, and refused. This statement was borne out by Captain Sieward. Then Capt. Raynor, who was called by the United States' side, stated that he was in command of the Allie I. Alger, a United States schooner, when she was seized in Behring sea in 1887, the same day as the Ada. He valued the Ada at $6,000 at Victoria or $4,500 at Seattle in 1887. Captain Alex. McLean, another witness for the United States, valued the Ada at $6,500 in 1887. Captain Warren was again on the stand for a time during the day, and just before adjournment an argument arose between Hon. Mr. Dickinson, for the United States, and Hon. Mr. Peters, of the British consul, as to the admission as evidence of a statement in the reports of the Behring sea case as to the value of vessels. The point was not decided when the adjournment was reached.

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Last evening's regular meeting of the board of directors of the Jubilee hospital terminated early and with the query put but no answered as to who would be mayor and aldermen during the coming year. Mr. Alexander Wilson presided, and the first business of the meeting came in the form of Dr. Richardson's report for December, which stated that the cost per patient a day was $1.22, the increase in the amount being attributed to extras supplied at Christmas. During the last few weeks, the report explained, a number of applicants for rooms had to be refused. The apartments for the male attendants, the clerk and steward have been finished, the former rooms now being occupied by pay patients. The report suggested that some arrangement could be made for sterilizing dressings by steam as then another room would be available and a saving of three or four dollars in the surgical department effected. Since the semi-private rooms off the wards have been completed they have been occupied by seven to nine patients. These rooms, the doctor thought, should be separated by means of simple curtains. He reported 36 patients in the hospital on December 1 and 39 on the first instant, there having been 34 admitted during the past month, 28 being treated and the same number discharged.

The report was adopted and the suggestions were submitted to the general committee with power to act.

The report of Miss Macmillan said: "In the training school department for the month of December we have to report everything satisfactory. With the end of this month Miss E. Stoddart will have completed her two years' training, and will be leaving to take up private nursing. Several donations mentioned in the report, as also in that of Robert Jenkinson, were acknowledged, and the Board in receiving the reports passed a vote of thanks to the donors. The monthly accounts, amounting to $1,385.17, were passed, and just prior to adjournment Mr. Hayward moved that, "In the absence of the president, the vice-president be authorized to sign all checks, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the manager of the bank of British Columbia."

THE "FLORIDA" CHARTERED.

She First Loads Coal and Afterwards Flour—Ship "Andora" Goes to Everett.

The City of Puebla, sailing for San Francisco last evening, carried from Victoria the following saloon passengers: Mrs. Billbrough, A. S. Miller, H. Bornstein, F. A. Spingler, John Lycurgus, Mrs. W. D. Byers and Mrs. E. Adams.

Under charter to load lumber at Bellingham, the British ship Andora, Capt. Passmore, cleared for Everett yesterday, being the first vessel dispatched from here in years to load lumber at that port.

After a long wait for a charter, the tramp steamship Florida received orders last evening to proceed to Comox for coal. Although her destination is not positively known, it is understood to be Portland, where she will load flour for Australia.

The Australian-Canadian steamship Miowera sails on Sunday for Sydney.

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Str. City of Topeka	from	Sitka.
" Walla Walla	"	San Francisco.
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" Fingal	"	"

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Str. Islander	from	Vancouver.
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" Rosalie	"	" "
" City of Puebla	"	" "
" Princess Louise	"	N. Westminster.
" Evangel	"	Port Angeles.

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" Florida	"	Comox.
Ship Andora	"	Everett.

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YESTERDAY evening the pupils and teachers of St. John's Sunday school had their annual festival and enjoyed thoroughly the very pleasant entertainment which had been prepared for their enjoyment. After tea had been served, a programme followed, which included the singing of carols, a magic lantern entertainment, and the cantata "Santa Claus in a Plight." Sir Henry Crease presented the prizes to the pupils and Bishop Perrin handed to the head of each class the medals they had won. These were: "First class, Maggie Johnson and Harry Sallaway; second class, Harriet Penketh and Herman Offerhaus; third class, Marian Offerhaus; four class, Mary Marrant; fifth class, Adeline Sallaway. A pleasant feature of the the evening was the distribution of gifts in the shape of Christmas bricks by Santa Claus, in the person of Mr. Ross Munro, and then Santa Claus himself had a case of very handsome pipes presented to him by the members of the choir in appreciation of his valuable services in the past as choirmaster.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Victoria Wheelmen's Club has been called for next Monday evening, when not only are the members of the club urged to be present but an invitation is extended to all persons interested in wheeling. In view of the approaching municipal elections the officers and members of the club extend an invitation to the candidates for aldermanic and mayoralty honors to attend the meeting and present their ideas in regard to the improvement of the city streets. Members and visiting wheelmen are urged to be on hand promptly at 8 p.m., in order to rush through the necessary business and report before the hour set for the attendance of candidates for civic honors.

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PROVINCIAL TRADE.

Some Important Questions Presented at the Board of Trade Council Meeting.

The Mining Committee Recommend Changes in the Incorporation and Registration of Companies.

There was an unusually large amount of business before the council of the Board of Trade at their meeting yesterday morning, an adjournment not being reached till half-past twelve. One of the most important matters to come up was the following report, which the committee on trade and manufactures had prepared in answer to the request to the board by the Department of Trade and Commerce, Ottawa, for suggestions as to the best means of increasing the trade of the province. The report made the following suggestions:

That reciprocity with the Australian colonies would be of benefit; that reciprocity in coal and coke with the United States was desirable, as at present Canada was discriminated against by the United States levying a duty of 15 per cent. on coke; That trade in lumber and fish could be worked up with Central America, Mexico, South America, etc., provided inducements were offered by the government to steamship companies to enter into the business, or by subsidizing any line of steamers now plying between Puget Sound ports and the countries named. At present if goods from British Columbia are sent to United States ports in bond to be shipped, they show on United States trade returns as United States products.

The report suggested that exports could be materially increased to the Hawaiian islands; and the appointment of Canadian commissioners in Central America, Mexico, South America and New Zealand was advised.

It was also recommended that the attention of the government be directed to the field British Columbia offers for the making of wood pulp; that in grinding wheat for export the quantity of wheat allowed per barrel for export to China or Japan be 285 to 300 lbs. or 320 to other countries; that the export of oatmeal and rolled oats made from United States oats could be increased if the duty paid upon the oats were commensurate with the quantity necessary to make a pound of oatmeal; that in the article of rice the tariff should be placed back to the basis of 1894; that all vessels loading or unloading at a British Columbia port should pass through the quarantine station at William Head; that Canadian tugs should have the same privileges in United States waters as United States tugs have in Canadian waters, or else that the privileges which United States tugs have in Canadian waters be withdrawn; that only one pilotage fee should be allowed, payable in proportion to services instead of, as at present, compulsory pilotage for circumscribed limits, controlled and at rates fixed by a local pilotage board.

As the report covered so many important subjects, it was laid on the table, the secretary being instructed to send a copy to each member of the board.

A question of special importance to British Columbia at the present time was the report of the committee on mining as to the formation of mining companies.

Mr. Hayward remarked that the report dealt with a most important subject, and that it would be well to be very careful before adopting the changes suggested. He thought that the report should be laid on the table.

Mr. Futcher was of opinion that the report should be sent to the provincial government simply as a suggestion.

In this view Hon. B. W. Pearse coincided, being of opinion that the report should be first gone over, clause by clause, and some of the suggestions struck out. This was done, and the report as amended will be sent to the Minister of Mines as a suggestion to him. This report reads:

Referring to your favor of September 2, asking us to take under consideration and advise you upon that paragraph in the board's last annual report directing attention to the principle upon which some mining companies are formed. The system of capitalizing slightly developed mineral claims for large sums of money and selling the stock at a small percentage of the par value, is, in the case of the liquidation of the company, fraught with serious consequences to the holders, and in any event prejudicial to the proper development of the mine. The laws of British Columbia are opposed to a company selling its stock at a discount, yet these have been evaded in the case of some mining ventures. Discontinuance of this practice and the compliance with provincial laws will be some guarantee that companies are formed for the purpose of working the mines instead of unduly enriching the promoters of the schemes. The incoming council should look into this matter and, if necessary, bring it to the notice of the provincial government with the view of remedial legislation. Fully realizing the great importance of the subject, your committee on mines and mining have held several meetings, discussed the subject with many persons and corresponded with the boards of trade of Montreal, Toronto and the stock exchanges of Montreal and Toronto, besides the general managers of several of the largest financial institutions in Canada.

Replies were received from several, among them being one from the Montreal Board of Trade endorsing nearly all the suggestions of the committee. After seriously considering the different phases of the subject and looking at the matter in its broadest sense, and with the sole object of bringing the mining industry of the province to a sound and healthy basis, your committee make the following recommendations as the basis of your action, if thought necessary to bring the subject to the notice of the provincial government:

"No companies to be registered to do business in this province except those organized under British o rCanadian acts.

The scale of fees to be charged by the government on all mining companies incorporated is suggested, running from $25 for $100,000 capital; $100 for $200,000, and increasing $100 for every additional $100,000 of capital.

3. Not less than one-third of capital to be set apart for 'working capital' and which shall not be sold at less than par value.

4. Careful revision and consolidation of the 'Companies Acts,' particularly as applying to the organization of mining companies.

5. If at all possible, to prevent the repetition of the names of claims.

Consider the advisability of allowing the head offices of companies organized under the British Columbia Act to be located in other parts of Canada, and boards of directors of such companies not necessarily to be residents of British Columbia. A British company has its head office in the United Kingdom and has its board of directors there.

The provincial government to require from all mining companies incorporated in British Columbia or registered under the Companies Act 'foreign' an annual or semi-annual statement, which statement should be published in pamphlet form, so that investors at home and abroad would be able to judge of the position of their investments. The statement should be in tabulated form, not too much in detail, but giving the most salient points, after the style of the Dominion banking returns: Authorized capital; treasury shares, each, sold; treasury shares unsold; shipment of ore, tons; workmen, average value of ore shipped; length of time closed down; value of plant and machinery.

That no shares (other than treasury) to be permitted to be issued until after a certain percentage (if only 5 per cent.) of the treasury stock has been sold, and the money in the hands of the company.

It is to be expected that some of the foregoing suggestions will be too radical, but the subject must be faced squarely. Are we going to permit our mines to be operated by irresponsible persons with no possible control of their actions, or are we going to build up our mining industry upon a lasting basis? We all believe that we are on the eve of an immense development of our mineral interests to take rank among the foremost in the world. It is therefore incumbent upon us to lay the foundation, not looking to the present only, but to the future, so that mining in British Columbia will be synonymous of fair and square business propositions, organized on a basis of British integrity and protected by laws that are already the admiration of all visitors to our mining camps.

In regard to Mr. Sorby's harbor improvement scheme the council passed a resolution:

That this board having heard Mr. Sorby's explanation of his scheme for the improvement of Victoria harbor, heartily endorses its object, and trusts that the Dominion government will give the most careful consideration to the same.

The resolutions passed at Duncan on December 8, favoring a trail to China creek, and asking the assistance of the British Columbia Board of Trade, were also endorsed by the council.

The Hongkong Chamber of Commerce asked the board to support a trans-Pacific cable, and a reply will be sent that the board has already expressed itself as strongly in favor of such a cable.

Complimentary letters were read from Mr. Robert Ward and others as to the value of the annual reports of the board in giving information in Europe as to the province, and more than fifty requests from various places were received for additional copies.

The Vancouver Board of Trade sent a letter of sympathy to the board on the death of Mr. G. Leiser, the late vice-president.

A long communication in reference to trade with Australia was received from Mr. J. S. Larke, Canadian commercial agent at Sydney, N. S. W., it being referred to the committee on trade and manufactures. Mr. Larke pointed out the opportunity for supplying Canadian wheat and flour to Australia, as it was anticipated that the Australian crop would be short about five million bushels in 1897. Apples from San Francisco were selling in Australia at $3.50 per case, and British Columbia should get a share of the trade. Onions were worth $2 to $3 a bushel, and new potatoes nearly $1 a bushel. In perishable goods, such as fruit and vegetables, it was pointed out that shipments must be made at the right time, and to do this advices must be received and acted on. British Columbia hops, too, have been well approved of, and the right kinds would command a market at higher prices than the Oregon or Californian hops now shipped. There is a good market too for paper, wood pulp and wooden ware. The better quality of Canadian timber has created a demand for it, but British Columbia millers have suffered because of very bad stuff shipped by United States millers from the Sound ports. "The remedy," said Mr. Larke in conclusion, "is to ship to good men and ship good timber."

NICARAGUA CANAL.

Revived Activity Among the Promoters of the Scheme.

Like the earlier venture with the same purpose in view, the Nicaragua canal scheme has fallen upon evil days. For three years no work has been done on the waterway. There are two companies concerned in the project, the Maritime Canal Company and the Nicaragua Company, a corporation chartered in Vermont and holding a contract from the former concern to construct the works. The companies, however, have not much to do with the case, beyond providing a means for the United States government to dig and control the waterway.

It is the United States that is expected to furnish the funds, and as preliminary to beginning active operations a commission of government engineers was sent to Nicaragua to examine and report on the work. The result was so far satisfactory that it was declared that a canal on the general lines laid down by the promoters was practicable, but that it would cost more than had been supposed. A further enquiry was recommended before congress undertook to spend the $130,000,000 or $140,000,000 the construction would cost. There the matter rested, the last three years not having been so favorable financially as to warrant the beginning of appropriations on so heavy a scale.

The anticipated restoration of the revenue to its old figure has led, however, to a revival of activity among the promoters of the scheme. The United States has the greatest commercial interest in the work, and alone is able to carry it through. It appeals also to the Monroe doctrine idea of our neighbors; and it would not be a matter of surprise if, before long, they seriously undertook the work DeLesseps failed in, and made a way for ships through the isthmus.

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Dr. A. T. Sanden:

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ELECTION CARDS.

THE MAYORALTY.

To the Ratepayers of the City of Victoria.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

At the request of a number of my fellow citizens, I have the honor to announce that I will be a candidate for the office of Mayor at the next election, and respectfully solicit your votes and support.

no15 CHAS. E. REDFERN.

THE MAYORALTY

To the Electors of Victoria:

I respectfully solicit your vote and influence to secure my re-election to the office of Mayor on the 14th inst.

ROBERT BEAVEN.

January 3rd, 1897. ja3

To the Electors of the South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

I am a candidate for re-election as one of your representatives on the Board of Aldermen and shall value the vote of all those among my constituents who have approved the course I have pursued during the past year in my public position, and shall consider it an honour again to be elected to continue my efforts for the improvement of the general conduct of Civic affairs.

JOHN GERHARD TIARKS.

Victoria, Jan. 2nd, 1897. ja3

To the Electors of the South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

I beg to offer myself as a Candidate for Alderman at the coming election, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence. If elected, one of my first efforts will be to remove the payment of a salary to Aldermen.

Having occupied the position of Alderman during two terms, my acquaintance with civic affairs is thorough.

ja5 J. B. HARRISON.

To the Electors of the South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

At the solicitation of a number of ratepayers, I have consented to become a Candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

ja6 JOHN HALL.

To the Electors of the Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

Being largely interested in our city, I have, at the solicitation of many ratepayers, consented to offer myself as a Candidate for Alderman in Central Ward at the forthcoming municipal election. I am in favor of the strictest economy compatible with the public interest, and if elected shall use my best endeavors in the general interests of the city.

I solicit your votes and interest.

I am, yours most respectfully,

ja6 L. VIGELIUS.

To the Electors of the Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

I beg to announce myself as a Candidate for re election as Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and support.

ja7 WM. HUMPHREY.

To the Electors of the North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

At the request of a number of ratepayers I have consented to become a Candidate for Alderman at the coming election.

ja5 D. H. RIDDELL.

To the Electors of the North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

I am a Candidate for Alderman at the coming election, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

ja6 W. J. DWYER.

For School Trustee.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

At the earnest request of a large number of ratepayers I beg to announce myself as a Candidate for School Trustee at the forthcoming election. I would, therefore, solicit your vote and influence.

ja5 LEWIS HALL.

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We offer for the next three weeks all our stock of Trimmed and Untrimmed

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The annual meeting of the Fruit Growers' Association of B.C., will be held in Victoria on Friday, the 29th day of January, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

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BY-LAWS.

Municipal Notice.

WARDS BY-LAW, 1896.

Notice—The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having passed a resolution on the 2nd day of November, 1896. "That the 'Wards By-Law, 1896' be not further proceeded with by the Council until after a vote of the electors entitled to vote on a By-Law for raising money upon the credit of the Municipality has been taken and the By-Law has received the assent of a majority of the votes polled by such electors, and the said Council having also passed a resolution on the 16th day of November, 1896, that the 'Wards By-Law, 1896,' be submitted to the vote of the Municipal Electors on the 14th day of January, 1897, and that such vote be taken in each ward at the Polling Place that may be appointed for taking the votes for the election of Aldermen for such ward at the forthcoming Municipal Election, and be taken on the said 14th of January, 1897, from the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m."

I hereby give notice that such of the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, as are entitled to vote on a By-Law for raising money upon the credit of the Municipality are requested to attend at the Polling Place, or Places of the Ward or Wards of the said Municipality, at which they are so entitled to vote on Thursday, the 14th day of January, 1897, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and to record their votes for or against the passage of the said By-Law.

The Polling Places are as under:

For the North Ward, at Room 11 of the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For Central Ward, at the building on the south-west corner of Douglas and Pandora streets.

For the South Ward, at No. 27 Government street East Side.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 2nd day of January, 1897.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,

ja3-td Returning Officer.

Municipal Notice.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of said electors at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 11th day of January, 1897, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. for the purpose of electing three persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

The mode of nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:—

The Candidates shall be nominated in writing the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p.m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 14th day of January, 1897, at the City Hall, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at which time and place each elector who is duly qualified to vote for Mayor, will be entitled to cast his vote for three (3) Candidates for members of the Board of School Trustees, but may only cast one vote for any such Candidate, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 2nd day of January, 1897.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,

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Municipal Notice.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, 1897.

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall; in the aforesaid City on Monday the 11th day of January, 1897, from 12 (noon) to 2 p.m., for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor or Aldermen.

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For the office of Mayor in the Court Room in the City Hall aforesaid.

For the office of Alderman for the North Ward, at Room 11 of the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the office of Alderman for the Central Ward, at the building on the southwest corner of Douglas and Pandora streets.

For the office of Alderman for the South Ward, at No. 27 Government street (east side), of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The persons qualified to be nominrted for and elected as the Mayor of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the nomination registered owner, in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria for the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of One Thousand Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as Aldermen of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination, the registered owner in the Land Registry office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of Five Hundred Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 2nd day of January, 1897.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,

ja3 Returning Officer.

VICTORIA CITY POUND.

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of January, 1897, at the City Pound, situated on Chamber street, in the City of Victoria, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, I shall sell by public auction one sorrel mare, unless the said animal is redeemed and pound charges thereon paid on or before the hour of sale.

A. McINNES,

Poundkeeper.

Victoria, B.C., January 2nd, 1897. ja5

Municipal Voters' List, 1897.

The Municipal Voter's Lists for the year 1897, as prepared by the undersigned, are on view in his office.

By order.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.

City Clerk's Office, Dec. 17, 1896. de18

Victoria Harbour Mission

Under the patronage of the Bishop of Columbia and Committee.

Capt. H. G. Lewis, Hon. Sec'y.

The Mission works amongst the sailors and sealers, supplies the ships with all kinds of literature, and the regular visits of a clergyman. Subscriptions, and all kinds of books and papers, earnestly asked for. May be sent addressed

REV. W. G. H. ELLISON,

d12 Shipping Office, Broughton St., Victoria.

SCAVENGERS.

ED. LINES, General Scavenger 236 Yates street.—Yards, etc., cleaned. Orders left at Geo. Munro's, 89 Government street; Speed Bros., corner Douglas and Fort; or Blair & Gordon, corner Menzies and Michigan, will be promptly attended to. de8

TENDERS.

Dry Goods Business For Sale.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned until the 1st day of February next, for the purchase of the stock-in-trade, furniture, fixtures and good-will of the late W. Craft, situate at No. 93 Douglas street, Victoria. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. For further particulars apply to.

W. G. CAMERON, Executor.

ja1 55 Johnson Street.

For Sale by Private Tender.

The good will and stock in trade of the late William Powell, Blacksmith, situate at the corner of Johnson and Broad streets, Victoria, and known as the "Ontario Wagon shop." Tenders stating price and manner of payment, to be sent by Saturday, 9th January, 1897, to the undersigned, at the corner of Yates and Broad streets Victoria.

de25 C. E. RENOUF.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned for house, outbuildings, (with two or four lots to suit purchaser) up to 30th January. Apply Wm. Radford, "Radcroft," Oak Bay avenue. de25

No. 267.

BY-LAW

Respecting the Municipal Election for the City of Victoria for the year 1897.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. The nomination of candidates for the respective offices of Mayor and Alderman of the City of Victoria shall take place at the City Hall, in the aforesaid city, on Monday, the 11th day of January, 1897, from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

2. In case more than one candidate for Mayor is nominated the vote of the electors for candidates for the said office shall be taken by ballot in the Court Room, in the City Hall aforesaid, on Thursday, the 14th day of January, 1897, from 8 a.m to 4 p.m.

3. In case there are more candidates nominated for the office of Alderman in any Ward than there are vacancies to fill up, the vote of the electors for the candidates for the said office shall be taken by ballot on the 14th day of January, 1897, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the respective places following, that is to say:

For the North Ward—At Room 11 of the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the Central Ward—At the building on the southwest corner of Douglas and Pandora streets.

For the South Ward—At No. 27 Government Street (east side).

4. The provisions of the "Election By-law," passed the 3rd March, 1888, and the schedules thereto, and the "Election Amendment By-law, 1892," so far as applicable and not inconsistent with this by-law and the "Municipal Elections Act, 1896," shall be read with and form part of this by-law.

5. William Walter Northcott is hereby appointed the Returning Officer at the said elections; Robert H. Johnston is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer at the said election for the office of Mayor; James H. Falconer is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for the North Ward at the said election; William Burnes is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for the Central Ward at the said election, and Thomas J. Dearburg, is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for the South Ward at the said election.

6. The "Municipal Election By-law, 1896," is hereby repealed.

7. This by-law may be cited as the "Municipal Election By law, 1897."

Passed the Municipal Council the 21st day of December, 1896.

Reconsidered, adopted, and finally passed the Council the 23rd day of December, A.D. 1896.

[L.S] ROBERT BEAVEN, Mayor.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria on the 23rd day of December, A.D. 1896, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law, or any part thereof, quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court of B.C. within three months next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,

de25 C.M.C.

Public Notice.

To Whom it May Concern.

Take notice that I have revoked all Powers of Attorney given by me at any time to Harry Symons, of the City of Calgary, in the District of Alberta, Advocate, and that the said Harry Symonds is no longer in any way authorized to act on my behalf.

no25-1w H. E. FORSTER.

Estate of William Gibson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Alonzo S. Taylor, of Everett, State of Washington, U.S., by order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem, has been appointed to administer, within the Province of British Columbia, the estate of the above-named deceased, who died at Monte Cristo, Snohomish County, State of Washington, on the 22nd day of December, 1895.

All debts owing to the said estate are to be paid, and all claims against the said estate are to be presented duly verified, to the undersigned.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1896.

SAMUEL D. SCHULTZ,

49 Langley street, Victoria, B.C.,

no25 Solicitor for the Administrator.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to amend the "Lillooet, Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Fields, Limited, Act, 1896," by giving power to the Company to amend its Articles and Memorandum of Association from time to time as the Company may deem necessary.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 29th day of December, A.D., 1896.

McPHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD.

de31 Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of acquiring mining rights over unoccupied parts of the Cottonwood river, Cariboo District, and the banks thereof between the points A and B on a plan in the possession of the undersigned; also to divert the water from portions of the bed of said river, and to take, use, appropriate and divert the waters of said Cottonwood river, and of Swift river, Lightning Creek and Chislom Creek, or any tributaries of the same, and to build flumes and lay pipes, and to supply said water for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, electrical, domestic and other purposes, and for other powers and privileges incidental or conducive to the aforesaid objects.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1896.

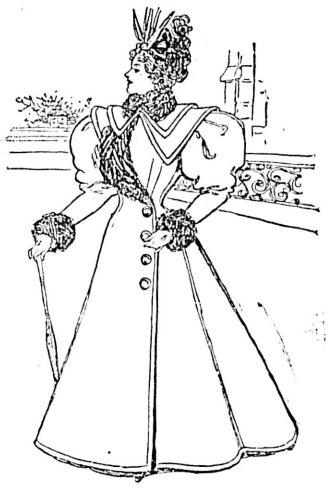
ja1 P. C. DUNLEVY.

NEW MATERIALS.

Care Needed In Cutting—Direction of the Nap.

Now that woolen goods, especially cloth, is becoming so fashionable, a few hints as to its peculiarities and proper treatment may be useful. Cloth, however smooth it may appear to be, has in reality a slight pile—an "up and down," as the saying goes—and it will not do to use it either way indifferently. Before cutting out whatever garment is to be made the fingers should be passed lightly over the goods to see which way the nap lies, and all the pieces of the garment should be cut with the nap running downward. Otherwise they will not take the light in the same way when they are put together and will seem unlike in tone and quality. If the cloth is made up with the nap running upward, it will become more quickly soiled and roughened.

These things are equally true with regard to plush and velvet, and carelessness



CLOTH COAT.

in the case of these latter materials produces more obviously disastrous results, as the pile is so much longer.

There are many kinds of wool materials, both plain and mixed, that may be used without regard to the nap, as it has no particular direction, and many plaids, tweeds and tailor suitings have the two sides alike also. It should be remembered that no twilled goods, even when double faced, as are most serges and many cashmeres, can be used in the same garment with either face outward, as the twill runs in opposite directions on the two sides. The right side of twilled goods is usually that upon which the twill runs from the right hand downward toward the left. That is the direction of the lines in nearly all diagonal material.

An illustration is given of a long coat of Russian green amazon cloth. It is close fitting and crosses in front, buttoning at the left side with four immense buttons. There are two small cloth pelerines. The collar, cuffs and revers are of tibet. The green velvet hat is trimmed with black ostrich plumes and wings made of gold spangles. The fur on this coat might be replaced by velvet with good effect, if fur is considered too heavy.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

NEW FASHIONS.

Changes In Man's Attire—Notes of Winter Costumes For Women.

The French proverb "Whatever is new is beautiful," however ironical it may be, has within it a popular truth that cannot be denied. Novelty has for the generality of minds an attraction which surpasses that of beauty—in fact, "Variety's the very spice of life," and it is by virtue of this trait in human nature that fashion, however fantastic and absurd in its caprices, has so great an influence. Its essential characteristic is continual change, and this is as true of masculine as of feminine fashions. Although alterations in the former are not as striking as in the latter, they are as frequent. The brim of the hat is a trifle wider or narrower, the crown a little higher or lower or of a different curve. There is a variation in the cut of the collar, the tie and pattern of the scarf,

MOIRE GOWN.

the shape of the cuff, the width of the trousers. Materials and colors change perpetually, and as much attention is required to keep up with the latest styles in man's attire as in woman's.

In spite of the daintiness and beauty of the past summer's gowns, gowns the abandonment of which might justly create regret, interest begins to center about the predominating designs for winter costumes. The delicate muslins, lawns and laces are cast aside without a thought now that fashion and approaching cold weather combine to influence the wardrobe in quite a different direction. Wool goods, cloths, velvets and even furs are now objects of serious consideration, and the greater is the change from the present mode the greater is the interest excited.

An illustration is given of a costume of black moire embroidered with jet cabochons. The godet skirt is trimmed around the foot with a full ruffle of black satin headed by a line of jet. A line of jet ornaments the seams of the skirt also, and bows of green satin are placed at the lower end of each seam. The Louis Quinze bodice of black moire has a full, short basque which is lined with green satin and is turned back to form revers in front. The guimpe is of green silk gauze, and the fichu of black silk gauze trimmed with plaitings. Bows of green satin held by paste buckles are placed at the waist and the bosom.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

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THE CATTLE are well bred. A much larger herd could be farmed with the place. The bunch grass on the hills in the vicinity covers many thousands of acres, and is available to the few land owners in the valleys.

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THE SOUTH-WEST KOOTENAY AND OSOYOOS Divisions of Yale District, British Columbia, judging from the actual ore products of the mines to date, are destined in the next year or two to be the richest and most important mineral centres in the world.

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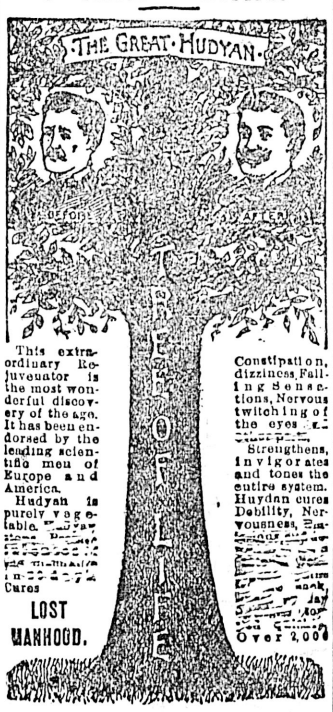
These localities are rapidly settling up, and as farm land is limited, great inducement is offered to any person or corporation having capital and knowledge necessary to work these Estates. A store, hotel and blacksmith shop could be run in connection with the farm.

I MAKE MAN.



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NOTICES.

[L.S.] E. DEWDNEY.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. Eberts, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable EDGAR DEWDNEY, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By command.

JAMES BAKER,
de31 Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act.

Adjourned sittings of the Court of Revision and Appeal will be holden as follows:—

For the Electoral Districts of Victoria South and Esquimalt, at 46 Langley Street, Victoria, on Friday, January 8th, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For Coast, Rupert, Sayward and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, at 46 Langley Street, Victoria, on Saturday, January 9th, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For the City of Victoria, at 46 Langley Street, Victoria, on Friday and Saturday, the 15th and 16th of January, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor.
Victoria, December 28th, 1896. de31

Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for the passage of an act to incorporate a Company to be called "The Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company," to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from some point on Burrard Inlet or English Bay to New Westminster; thence eastward through the valley of the Fraser River and the southern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Rossland, with power to amalgamate with, lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway, or portion of a railway, either as a branch of or part of such main line; to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the coast line between the International Boundary Line and Point Garry, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks; to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

A. L. BELYEA,
de16 Solicitor for the Applicants.

The Nest Egg Mining Company, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that the special general meeting of the shareholders of the above Company, which was held at the head office, Victoria, B.C., on Monday, December 7th, 1896, at 3:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the advisability of disposing of the whole of the assets, is adjourned until January 20th, 1897 at the same hour and place.

By order.

W. H. ELLIS,
de18 Secretary-Treasurer.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of Longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia, with power to construct maintain, and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and construct, own, and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Government of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation, or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 19th day of August, 1896.

DRAKE JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Victoria, B. C. au23

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof for an Act to incorporate a religious body to be called and known as "The Holiness Movement (or Church)," and to authorize such corporation to meet and adopt, frame or repeal constitutions, and to make regulations for enforcing discipline in said Church, and to empower said corporation to acquire, receive and take conveyances of such lands, moneys, mortgages, securities or other property as may be required for the purposes of a chapel or chapels, college or colleges, school or schools, or other educational purposes connected with the said Church, and for the purpose of a printing and publishing house or houses in connection with the said Church, and for power to undertake and carry on such business of printing and publishing, and for authority and power to endow and support such chapels, colleges and schools, and such printing and publishing house or houses and a book depository or depositories in connection therewith, and to take and receive the benefit of any gift or devise by will or otherwise in its said corporate name or otherwise, and to give said Church all necessary powers connected therewith.

BRADLEY & WILD,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Dated at Ottawa, this 16th day of November, A.D. 1896. no25-1taw-9t

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ESQUIMALT STATION, Jan. 7, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	45·	Mean 45	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	45·		
9 a.m..	41·	Highest 51·	5 a.m.—2 N.W.
1 p.m.	49·		1 p.m.—24 S.W.
5 p.m..	45·	Lowest 43·	9 p.m.—8 S.W.
9 p.m..	43.		Rain—0.01.

Average state of weather—Cloudy.
Sunshine—4 hr., 31 min.
Barometer 9 a.m... {Observed ..... 29.865 {Reduced 29.837

E. BAYNES REED, Observer.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer ROSALIE from the Sound—J H Rogers, L H Borden, G W Mann, F O Rose, J Maynard, L Larson, H Dunn, J Olson, C Smith, A McNeil, W W Kirkwood, O Harvey, P Falconer, D E Campbell, Mrs Levy, Miss Rostine, and Miss Jones.

Per steamer KINGSTON from the Sound—Miss Patton, W Peters, A R Winn, Sherwood Gillespy, Simon Soupal and wife, Mrs A McKinnon, D W Montgomery, J W Turner and wife, R Taber, Mrs A E Smith, Albert Smith, H R Lewis, E W Wright, E A McKenzie.

Per steamer ISLANDER from Vancouver—J Murphy, J H Wylie, C Phillipps Woolley and wife, Miss Woolbridge, R A Evans, Wm Marriott, Austin Morrall, D Cartmel, W Bryce, D Murphy, J J Shallcross, D T Lees, J A Thomson, J Webb, Misses Connelleys, E Kingcombe, H Davidson, G McKun, F L McLeod, Thos Dunn, Jas Garrick, Miss Hamilton, Charles Pike.

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AGENTS.

DIED.

BOURNE—In Oakland, at 9 a.m., December 25, 1896, aged 26 years and one month, Mary Matilda, the beloved wife of Frederick M. Bourne, of Belinas, Cal.
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PERSONAL.

M. Humber is very seriously ill at St. Joseph's hospital.

J. T. Wilkinson, of the Vancouver World, is in town.

Major J. A. McGillivray, supreme secretary of the I.O.F., left this morning for Vancouver.

Captain and Mrs. Clive Phillipps-Wolley returned from the Mainland by last night's Islander.

J. J. Shallcross, D. Murphy and J. A. Thomson were passengers from the Mainland by last evening's Islander.

H. R. Lewis, of the Portland publishing house of Lewis & Dryden, and E. W. Wright, of the Oregonian staff, are guests at the Driard.

WILLIAM COOK, an elderly resident of Carey road, living about a mile outside the city limits, was burned out of house and home shortly after noon yesterday. The little one-story house, which contained the treasures of a lifetime, caught fire, it is supposed, from the kitchen stove. Mrs. Cook was hanging out clothes at the times, and after seeing the blaze had only time to save a few articles of furniture. There is a small insurance on the place, but not sufficient to cover the loss sustained.

OF all the steamers on the Sound, probably none has a better record for 1896 than the steamer City of Kingston. During the last year she has made 289 round trips between Seattle, Tacoma and Victoria, the entire distance being figured at 226 miles. This would make 67,514 miles for the year, not counting several side excursions. She has carried 38,000,000 pounds, or 19,000 tons, of freight and handled approximately 867,000 pounds of baggage.

IT is semi-officially announced that the efforts which the Liberal organ and office seekers in this city have during recent months put forth to oust Dr. George H. Duncan from the position of superintendent of quarantine, have at last been fruitful of success, and on the 15th instant he will be succeeded in the charge of affairs at William Head by Dr. A. T. Watt of this city, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health.

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RAIN AND SNOWFALL.

Report for the Month of December—Total Precipitation for the Year.

LANGLEY, Jan. 7.—(Special)—Rain fell upon 23 days during the month of December, amounting to 12.056 inches, as follows: On the first week, 4.605 inches; second week, 3.275 inches; third, 3.528 inches; fourth, 0.616; and the balance of month, 0.032. The deposition for November of 1896 amounted to 10.095 inches, and for October of the same year; 4.107, falling upon 13 days in November and 10 days in October.

During October of 1895 rain fell upon 6 days, amounting to 0.994 inches; in November, upon 14 days, amounting to 6.314 inches; December, upon 18 days, amounting to 7.106 inches; and January of 1886, upon 20 days, with snow upon 6 days, amounting 8.834 inches of rain, and 17.250 inches of snow.

During the year 1896, rain fell upon 157 days, amounting to 62.616 inches, and snow upon 15 days, amounting to 23.25 inches, as follows: January, 20 days' rain, amounting to 8.834 inches; 6 days' snow, amounting to 17.25 inches. February, 17 days' rain, amounting to 8.838 inches, and 4 days' snow, amounting to 5.00 inches. March, 14 days' rain, amounting to 2.510 inches; 2 days' snow, amounting to 1.00 inch. April, 18 days' rain, amounting to 5.352 inches. May, 15 days' rain, amounting to 4.320 inches. June, 13 days' rain, amounting to 3.263 inches. In July there was no rain. August, 8 days' rain, amounting to 1.860 inches. September, 6 days' rain, amounting to 1.381 inches. October, 10 days' rain, amounting to 4.107 inches; and November and December as given above.

STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

Decided Upward Tendency at the Close—American Shares and Bonds Bought in London.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The Evening Post saye: "Without any great activity to-day's security market displayed a good deal of strength, and at the close the upward tendency was decided. The Granger stocks were particularly strong, chiefly, no doubt, because of the recent slight improvement in their earnings; but there were many other points of firmness on the list. As a rule the industrial securities went lower. Such a movement, however, in the face of advances in the standard shares, is never disquieting. During the early hours, Delaware & Hudson was once more conspicuously weak.

The Evening Post's financial cablegram says: "Stocks were steady to-day but only moderately active. Americans were very dull at the opening, but closed comparatively firm. Some large houses report that there has been a buying of both American shares and bonds here on investment account, certain descriptions of securities which for weeks past have been very difficult to negotiate, having found a market."

NATURAL GAS.

Decision of the U. S. Circuit Court Declaring It to Be a Crude Mineral.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Judges Lacombe and Wallace of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals filed a decision to-day to classify natural gas as a mineral for all the purposes of the statutes and customs laws. This affirms the finding of the Circuit court of this district, which upheld the board of general appraisers' declaration that natural gas piped from Shirkstown, Canada, to Buffalo, N.Y., is not subject to any duty, because it is within the definition of crude minerals. Under section 4 of the McKinley act the collector of customs, however, assessed the imported gas at ten per cent., holding that gas is "a raw or unmanufactured article not enumerated or provided for."

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RIVALLING FICTION.

George McL. Brown's Story of a Mine of Water in British Columbia.

Copper Bearing Ore Can Be Precipitated in Paying Quantities.

SEATTLE, Jan. 6—George McL. Brown, general Western passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific railroad, came down from Vancouver to meet an Eastern railroad man in this city, and together they will visit the Kootenay mining district. The statement is commonplace enough, as it relates to a possibly adventurous trip into a country that many visit every month, but the fact that Mr. Brown was in town last night made it possible for him to tell a wonderful story of another mine in British Columbia that he has visited and which is no more nor less than a mine of water, if such a thing can be considered. He says that less than two years ago an Indian while crossing a stream about twenty miles to the west of Ashcroft, on the main line of the Canadian Pacific, discovered that his pony had cast a shoe and that the iron sign of good luck had fallen into the stream. The story goes on to state that the Indian did not stop to gather up the shoe, but pressed on his way, and his movements subsequent to the horseshoe episode are lost for a year, when he turns up again as the guide to a party of hunters. In their ramblings around through the mountains west of Ashcroft, they came to the place where the pony's shoe had fallen into the creek, and two of the gentlemen of the party alighted to drink. They had scarcely partaken of the water of the creek before both were taken with violent cramps, the result of drinking the water, and each showed unmistakable signs of poisoning. While another of the party looked into the stream he discovered at the edge what appeared to be a horseshoe of pure copper. It was fished up and the Indian identified it as that cast by his pony a year before. As soon as the truth dawned on the party that the two sick men were poisoned by drinking water in which copper was in solution, they set about curing them, with the result that they soon recovered, and the investigation of the marvelous stream was continued.

Its source was discovered to be in the side of a mountain that rose from the lower levels in a succession of steps for a certain distance, and which then rose in a sheer precipice far above them. The water poured out of a hole in rock in a steady stream, flowing down the steps of rocks, along the course by which it was traced, finally disappearing in the rocks.

That is the story of the discovery of the spring as it was related to Mr. Brown, and as he related its telling. The subsequent narrative of the mine of copper water Mr. Brown vouches for, and it is a fitting ending to that of its discovery. As soon as the party of hunters found out what they had they proceeded to stake out the spring and along its flow.

The principal holder of the claims is Mr. S. F. Griffiths, of Vancouver. Above the spring in the rock there is a mass of decomposed ore and other mineral matter, which runs high in gold. Before reaching the ledge of copper over which the stream of water must run it will be necessary to get below the decomposed mineral, which is now being done by a large number of men, who are employed by the company. They have already struck a ledge of Peacock ore, an unfailing indication of the presence of copper in large quantities. A tunnel is also to be cut in along the course of the stream through the rock, by which means it is hoped to reach the ore ledge more quickly.

As to the water itself it has been proved by analysis and electrical demonstration that it bears exactly 39.7 pounds of copper to each 200 gallons and that by mining the water by electricity the copper can be precipitated in paying quantities. It sounds visionary, but Mr. Brown vouches for its truth and says in connection with the possible future of the spring that Hon. William Prichard Morgan, member of the British parliament, who was on his way to Japan, accompanied by his own mining expert, became so interested in the story that he went on to Japan alone, leaving the expert to examine into the matter. The water had been submitted to Mr. Morgan, who marvelled greatly at the story. He left word that should his expert prove the statements true he (Mr. Morgan) would give $100,000 for a 51 per cent. interest in the scheme. Since the first discoveries the entire district has been staked out in claims.

In connection with Mr. Morgan's interest in the wonderful spring and its possibly attendant mines of copper, it is interesting to review the fact that his mining operations in Wales have made him one of the wealthy men of the world, and his popularity there was so great for his efforts in developing the mining districts of that country that he was returned to parliament last year by the largest majority ever given a candidate to that body. He is aggressive and fearless, and and his work as a barrister in Australia has been reviewed again and again in the legal reviews and the press of the world.

The matter of the digging and the riches in copper that it carries is one of the episodes that the development of the new mining district might bring out, and its equal as a story does not find its parallel in the matter-of-fact history of business of to-day.

Change of Time.

Beginning Monday, January 4th, the steamer Rosalie will, until further notice, change her time of leaving Victoria to 7:30 a.m. daily except Sunday's. This alteration will enable passengers to reach Seattle at 2:30 every afternoon except Sunday's. Returning, she will leave Seattle daily except Saturday's, at 9:30 p.m.

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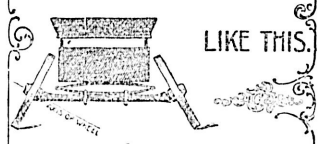
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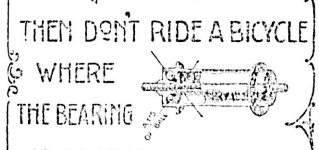
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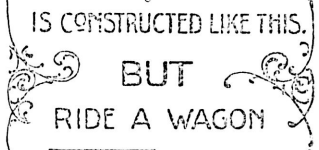
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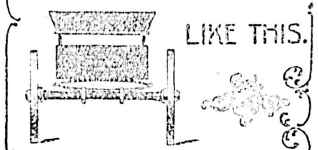

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